

PALOMAR AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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MINUTES

Thursday, May 16, 2013

Chairperson Chuck Collins called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. on Thursday, May 16, 2013 at the Carlsbad City Offices, 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson Chuck Collins, Ron Cozad, Bob Gates and Cliff Kaiser were present which did not represent a quorum.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Vice Chairperson Tim Hutter, John O'Reilly, Tom Ricotta and Cal Weeks were absent.

COUNTY STAFF PRESENT

Present were Peter Drinkwater, Willie Vasquez, Olivier Brackett, Anne Baldwin, Dan Thompson, Ian Hodgson, Blake Matheson and Jessica Turner.

ROLL CALL

The roll call was taken.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

This motion item did not take place since there was not a quorum.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Rock Swanson of the Palomar Airport Association spoke briefly of the Small Airplane Revitalization Act of 2013. Raymond Bender of San Marcos commended the PAAC that an ALP Update had been placed on the agenda and spoke of the importance of having Airports staff make presentations to the PAAC.

AIRPORT DIRECTOR'S REPORT – P. Drinkwater

Mr. Vasquez gave an update on the Taxiway improvements at Palomar Airport. Mr. Drinkwater gave an update on projects occurring at Gillespie Field, including a new perimeter road and the upcoming Wings Over Gillespie event. He also gave an update on a lighting and signage project at Borrego Airport.

WESTERN FLIGHT INC., FOURTH AMENDMENT TO AVIATION LEASES – A. Baldwin, I. Hodgson

Ms. Baldwin and Mr. Hodgson gave an informational presentation regarding the fourth amendment to Aviation Leases with Western Flight, Inc. After their presentation, Mr. Kaiser and Mr. Cozad asked questions about how the County determined the rent increase amounts. Mr. Kaiser asked if with the present economy, if now was the right time to increase rents. Ms. Baldwin said that the rates for the cost of tie downs and hangar space had stayed stable. Mr. Cozad asked if any rent increases had been contested in the last six months and began a discussion with Ms. Baldwin regarding another lease. Since there was no quorum there was no vote. although Mr. Collins asked for a showing of what the present PAAC members

posturing would be on the issue. Mr. Collins and Mr. Gates would be in favor of recommending the rate increases, Mr. Kaiser would be opposed and Mr. Cozad would abstain.

PALOMAR COMMONS UPDATE – A. Baldwin

Ms. Baldwin presented an update on the Palomar Commons project. The targeted Grand Opening is August, 2013. PAAC members asked questions about what the previous tenant of that parcel had paid in rent and also about the appraisal process for Lowe's.

AIRPORT LAYOUT PLAN UPDATE – W. Vasquez

Mr. Vasquez presented an update on the Airport Layout Plan (ALP). The PAAC took questions from Raymond Bender regarding the ultimate designation listed on the 2013 ALP and, also, deviations from standard aviation design.

HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS SUBMITTALS – UPDATE/FLY FRIENDLY PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT – J. O'Reilly

In Mr. O'Reilly's absence, Mr. Collins reported that a Fly Friendly Program presentation had been given to approximately 30 real estate professionals at Premier Jet.

AIRPORT COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT – J. Turner (report given by O. Brackett)

Report for April, 2013:

- ➔ Monthly Operations Count: 13,336
- ➔ Annual Operations Count: 48,082
- ➔ Monthly Air Carrier Passenger Enplanements: 4,640
- ➔ Monthly Air Carrier Passenger Throughput: 8,968
- ➔ Annual Air Carrier Total Passengers: 34,324
- ➔ Monthly Concerns: 199
- ➔ Annual Concerns: 569
- ➔ Community Noise Concerns by area: Southwest: 183; Southeast: 9; Northwest: 3; Northeast: 4; Out of NINA: 0
- ➔ Jet Flights during quiet hours (2200-0700): 37
- ➔ Propeller Flights during quiet hours (0000-0600): 14
- ➔ Collins Noise Index for Community Concerns = .078 people/1000 filed a concern.
- ➔ Palomar Airport Operational Benefit Index = 189.0 people/1000

The PAAC members had questions for Mr. Brackett about trends in the community relations reports. Raymond Bender recommended that an Airports staff presentation on noise, runway length related noise questions and related issues would be helpful.

STAFF REPORT – W. Vasquez

Mr. Vasquez introduced Jessica Turner to the PAAC. Ms. Turner spoke briefly on her background. The Wings of Freedom tour was at the airport from May 3rd through the 5th. Overall, the turnout was fairly successful. An asphalt project will start on the airport the week of May 20th. An erosion control project was scheduled to begin the next day on the airport. The project should last ten working days.

Mr. Vasquez took questions from the PAAC about California Pacific Airlines and the Runway Feasibility Study.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Kaiser announced that the Vista Strawberry Festival would be held on May 26, 2013.

SET AGENDA FOR MEETING ON JUNE 20, 2013

The next meeting of the Palomar Airport Advisory Committee will be on June 20, 2013. Mr. Raymond Bender of San Marcos asked for a discussion of landfill issues.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

By: _____
Dan Thompson, Administrative Secretary I